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- ☒ 2. Relevance of the non-English language reference 1 is discussed in the present specification.
- ☒ 3. The references 2-6 were cited in the International Search Report. An English language version of the International Search Report is attached for the Examiner's information.
- ☒ 4. English language Abstracts of the non-English language references 4-6 are attached hereto.

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- ☒ 5. A computer-generated English language translation of the following Japanese Patent Publications has been obtained from the website of the Japanese Patent Office ([<http://www.jpo.go.jp>]), and are attached, but have not been reviewed for accuracy. See References 1 and 4-6.

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